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For: PREPARATION OF WORT AND BEER OF HIGH NUTRITIONAL VALUE,

AND CORRESPONDING PRODUCTS

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<u>AMENDMENT UNDER RULE 1.116</u>

Sir:

In response to the final rejection Office Action mailed April 6, 2000, please

reconsider the above-identified application amended as follows:

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IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend the claims as follows:

1. (Twice Amended) A process for the production of a cereal wort or beer having a high content of soluble β-glucan of more than 0.2wt% from a cereal or mixture of cereals in which [the ingredients] any ingredient employed in the process lacks β-glucanase activity sufficient to decrease soluble β-glucan by more than 20 wt% compared to the yield from the corresponding source of non-germinated cereal or mixture of cereals.